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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: LOS: UP-COMING LOS CONFERENCE SESSION

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1. EMBOFF CALLED ON MFA DIRECTOR OF CABINET JULIEN KACOU MARCH 12 TO MAKE POINTS CONTAINED PARA 4 REFTEL RE IMPORTANCE US ATTACHES TO FORTHCOMING LOS SESSION IN NEW YORK. KACOU REPLIED THAT IVORY COAST SHARED US VIEW AS WELL AS IMPRESSION THAT NUMBER OF COUNTRIES FELT LOS MEETINGS HAD GONE ON LONG ENOUGH AND THAT THIS WAS THE YEAR TO BRING THEM TO A CLOSE. EMBOFF INVITED GOICDELEGATION TO CONSULT WITH THAT OF US IN NEW YORK FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS RELATED TO NEGOTIATIONS.

2. EMBOFF MADE SAME POINTS TO MEMBER OF DELEATION (KONE MOUCTAR) WHO APPEARED AT EMBASSY MARCH 12 FOR VISA TO US, INVITING HIM TO CONTACT US DELEGATION EARLY IN SESSION.

3. COMPOSITION OF GOIC DELEGATION,WHILE NOT ABSOLUTELY FIRM, INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING AT THIS POINT;
LAMINE FADIGA, MINISTER OF MARINE AFFAIRS, HEAD OF DELEGATION
AMB. SIMEON AKE, IVORY COAST PERMREP TO UN, WHO WILL HEAD DELEGATION WHEN FADIGA NOT PRESENT
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DESIRE TANOE, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONSULAR

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AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
DR. LUC KOFFI, DIRECTOR OF FISHERIES , MINISTRY OF
ANIMAL PRODUCTION
M. KONE MOUCTAR, DIRECTOR OF MINES AND GEOLOGY, MINISTRY
OF MINES. KBIO NOTE: KONE IS ENGINEER, AGE 30, SPEAKS
NO ENGLISH, FIRST TIME TO US. LIKELY TOPLAY RELATIVELY MINOR
ROLE AS EXPERT/CONSULTANT.)
M. ADAM TOUNGARA, DIRECTOR OF PETROCI, STATE-RUN PETROLEUM
RESEARCH AND EXPLOITATION COMPANY
AMB. BENIE NIOUPIN, GOIC AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA, MAY BE CALLED
TO PARTICIPATE ALSO,BUT THIS NOT CERTAIN.

3. COMMENT: ALL OF DELEGATION,WITH EXCEPTION OF KONE
MOUCTAR, FAMILIAR TO US LOS DELEGTION FROM PARTICIPATION
IN PREVIOUS SESSIONS. CITING EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING LARGE
DELEGATION THROUGHOUT, GOIC INDICATED IT WILL LIKELY STAGGER
ATTENDANCE FROM ABOVE LIST AS SITUATION REQUIRES.EMBASSY
ATTEMPTING LEARN DEPARTURE PLANS OF HEAD OF DELEGATION
FADIGA. IF TIME PERMITS, AMBASSADOR WILL PAY CALL ON HIM
TO REITERATE IMPORTANCE US ATTACHES TO SESSION. SMITH

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